

**RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

;5167424366

# 8/ 11

**APR 04 2006****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant(s):** Douglas E. Chrzanowski, et al.      **Examiner:** Elizabeth M. Cole  
**Serial No.:** 09/829,474      **Art Unit:** 1771  
**Filed:** April 9, 2001      **Docket No.:** END919980129US2 (18194)  
**For:** WIRE BONDING METHOD AND APPARATUS      **Dated:** April 4, 2006  
**Confirmation No.:** 8680

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

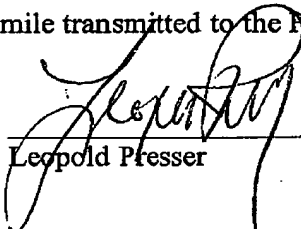
Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered into this application concurrently with the submission of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE):

---

**CERTIFICATION OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.

Dated: April 4, 2006

---

Leopold Presser